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EXAMPLES OF MEDIEVAL ART.

Superior Mental Equipment is Not Absolutely Necessary.

If you are not very clever, don't be disheartened. It is not always the brainy man, or the positive genius, who makes headway. If nature has only given you average brain power, then make up for it by cultivating other valuable qualities.

Go in for genuine, honest work. Take a pride in doing every job well. Turn out the very best article you can produce. Do nothing as if it were trifling.

Earn for yourself a reputation for reliability and stanch honesty. Be known as a "white man." These are precious qualities. So is punctuality. Cultivate a habit of turning up promptly to time. Be as correct as an English lever watch. Redeem your promises. Be willing, keep your temper well under control, and, by your words and deeds, convince those around you that you are to be trusted. Just then, think of your chances, even if you are not a clever young person. Buck up, like a good sort, and succeed on these lines. There is heaps of room for this class of commodity.—Exchange.

APPLES ONLY ON APPLE TREES.

ARE ASHAMED OF THEIR JOB.

Men Not on Exhibition While Engaged in Washing Clothes.

"I don't see why it is," mused the fat dweller, "that men are so ashamed of washing clothes when they are caught at it. Why shouldn't they? Washing is about the hardest work anybody can do, and yet it is relegated to women. The other morning I got up unusually early, and, looking outside into the window of the next apartment through my kitchen window, saw some one with short hair bending over the tub. At first I thought it was a short-haired girl, but when she raised up and I saw that she had on trousers it was borne in upon me that she was a boy. The moment he looked at me he frowned, came to the window, and angrily drew the curtain down. Now, why shouldn't he have washed those clothes with the curtain up and me looking at him just the same as he would have done if he had been a short-haired girl?"

Utilizing Sun's Rays.

The usual method of using solar heat has been to concentrate the sun's rays by mirrors, but in the simpler apparatus with which Frank Shuman has been experimenting at Tacoma, Pa., the direct rays have been made to heat a boiler of blackened pipe coils inclosed in a shallow box with a double glass top. An air space of one inch between the two layers of glass forms a jacket preventing escape of heat by radiation. Water in the pipes generated steam with a pressure of 15 pounds, which was made to drive an engine, and by employing either a pressure of 90 pounds was reached. In warm climates a good working pressure is expected from water, thus solving the perplexing power problem of tropical lands.

Explaining the Ghost.

The most popular creature in theatrical circles is "the ghost," and the ghost is said "to walk" when salaries are paid. The credit for originating this phrase belongs to a company of English strolling players who, although their salaries had long been in arrears, were rehearsing "Hamlet." The rehearsal progressed, but when Hamlet, referring to the ghost, exclaimed: "Perchance 'twll walk again," that sordid spirit yolted back again emphatically: "No! I'm damned if the ghost walks any more until our salaries are paid!"—Bohemian.

Easy to Kill Flies.

A screen for electrocuting flies is easily made and offers a source of much amusement. A device of this description was made by a Chicago man and was found to work admirably. The screen was made with the wires running in one direction connected to one terminal of a small dynamo and the cross wires connected to the other terminal. The two sets of wires were insulated from each other. As soon as the loop of the fly come in contact with the wires of the screen the insect sticks out and dies instantly and painlessly.

The Dear Old Days.

Touched by his sad story, a Harrisburg woman recently furnished a meal to a melancholy looking hobo who had applied thereafter at the back door.

"Why do you stick out the middle finger of your left hand so straight while you are eating?" asked the compassionate woman. "Was it ever broken?"

"No, mom," answered the hobo, with a snuffle. "But during my halcyon days I wore a diamond ring on that finger, and old habits are hard to break, mom!"—Harper's Weekly.

Sometimes It Is Hard Enough.

"One great trouble," said the distinguished foreigner, "is that it is too easy to get divorced in this country." "My dear sir," replied the thoughtful American, "I am afraid you have jumped at a conclusion. You have never been married to any of our women whose one object in life was to go a little faster than their neighbors, have you?"

An Advantage for Sure.

"So Jack's married a divorced. Well, that's better than marrying a widow."

"How do you make that out?"

Well, a divorce isn't likely to throw up to one the virtues of her former husband."

IMPROVED FORM OF INCUBATOR.

Fine Stained Glass Windows Recently Received at New York.

The two German windows of stained glass among the recent acquisitions belong in period to the early sixteenth century, at the time when medievalism passes over into renaissance. The color is lighter and paler than that of the preceding century and is secondary in importance to the design. In the examples at the museum are certain tints of yellow that began to be used in the middle of the sixteenth century, as taste changed in favor of lighter rooms. The subjects of the windows are St. John and St. Maximine against a background of tapestry and architecture treated so as to appear on the same plane as the figures. The author of the note on the windows in the Museum Bulletin says that the drawing is undoubtedly the work of a painter—and a very good one—of the Ober-Rhein school, and that as St. Maximine was bishop of Trier, the supposition that the glass in front of that source is probably correct. Very fine examples of the same period are those in the nave of Cologne cathedral.—New York Times.

HIGH SHE "SHOCK" HER FRIEND.

Shopper Preferred to Be Alone When Purchasing Shoes.

An electric incubator has been introduced in Europe, the operation of which is said to be attended by such results as other methods, for the reason that it is capable of finer adjustment as far as heating and ventilation are concerned. One of the most difficult features of artificial poultry breeding is a proper supply of fresh air. In the electrical incubator air is supplied from underneath, the entering fresh air coming in contact with the eggs after being properly preheated by special radiators. This ventilation is controlled by opening to a variable extent the lateral slides fixed at the top of the apparatus.

The clerk apparently appreciated the circumstances. He worked fast, and in an incredibly short time the woman had selected three satisfactory pairs of shoes.

"I wonder why she was so anxious to get through before her friend came," remarked another customer.

"For the same reason that makes every woman want to shop alone when buying shoes," laughed the clerk. "She has rather a large foot, and she didn't want her friend to find out what number she wears. It is seldom that the purchasers of shoes shop in pairs. They may hang together when buying anything else in the store, but when it comes to shoes each woman strikes out for herself. The only exception is the woman who has an unusually small foot. She would take her whole list of acquaintances along when buying shoes, she could."

HAVE SURPLUS OF FURNITURE.

Writer Criticizes Modern Methods of House Adornment.

A Washington man, while visiting a friend's place in Virginia, became much interested in his experiments in fruit culture.

PAPERS BY THE PEOPLE

LIVE IDEAS AND MORE IDEAS.

By Mayor McClellan.

The crying need of the day is fewer men with ideas and more men with ideals. One of the most difficult problems of the great trust which I occupy is to get the right men for public office. In this country official salaries are small, on the theory, I suppose, that the honor of public service is a sufficient reward. There are, therefore, just three classes of men who accept public office: Men of independent means, men who have not succeeded in private life and who take office as a business proposition, and men with enough public spirit and sense of duty to make a money sacrifice to serve the State. Unfortunately, there are all too few of the latter class. This is not a plea for a general increase in salaries, but a plea for a general increase in interest in public affairs.

There are very few Americans who will not willingly and cheerfully give their lives for the flag; there are very few who will give their time, or any part of it, for the State. No man should enter politics with the hope of pecuniary reward. There is no such thing as "honest graft." Salaries are small and the continuity of offices holding so uncertain that the life of an honest politician is one of constant self-sacrifice.

Moreover, our journalistic and political ethics are such that the honest man who accepts office in this country must expect from the beginning to the end of his term to wage one insistent struggle to do his duty.

AMATEURS IN THE ART OF LIVING.

By Arnold Bennett.

Considering that we have to spend the whole of our lives in this human machine, we really devote to it little attention. When I say "the human machine" I mean the brain and the body—and chiefly the brain. The expression of the soul by means of the brain and body is what we call the art of "living." We certainly do not learn this art at school to any appreciable extent: When we have been engaged in the preliminaries to living for about fifty-five years we begin to think about slackening off. Up till this period our reason for not having scientifically studied the art of living is not that we have lacked leisure, but that we have simply been too absorbed in the preliminaries—have, in fact, treated the preliminaries to the business as the business itself.

See this man who regularly studies every evening of his life! He has genuinely understood the nature of poetry, and his taste is admirable. He recites verse with true feeling and may be said to be highly cultivated. Poetry is a continual source of pleasure to him. But why is he always complaining about not receiving his deserts in the office? Why is he worried about finance? Why does he so often sulk with his wife? Why does he persist in eating more than his digestion

SONG.

The dream is o'er, and we awake;
The morn is sweet and fair,
Deep in the purple-scented brake
A bird song woos the air;
Up the glad causeway of the East
The sun keeps evermore,
And the noon shall spread her feast—
Dear Love, the dream is o'er.

The dream is o'er, we did not dream,
Dear Love, the stars would fade,
We did not dream 'twas but a dream
Of youth all undreamed.
Look, where adown the saffron West
Day leads her royal train,
Within mine arms, upon my breast,
Come, Love, and dream again.
—Asha's.

CANARIES, ANYWAY

"Oh, I love music!" he cried. She looked at him with admiration sitting back in one corner of the sofa as he sat in the other—with rosy-faced admiration she looked at him, eyes sparkling, hands clasped and her lips slightly parted in the very breathlessness of her regard.

"Ah, yes," said he. "Ah, yes! The blaring of the brasses and the sighing of the woods! Would you have melanchooly? It is the breathing of the flute. Would you have triumph? Oh, listen to the cornet's tones! So could I go through all the emotions, and oh, the tonal, the cadenzas, the minima, the ritardando and the sudden, sudden stop: silence! Ah!"

He paused, his eyes glowing on vacancy. He made a dreamy, graceful gesture and looked at her from the corner of his eyes, drinking in her admiration and absorbing all the tribute of her pantomime. "How do I!" she cried.

Inquisitively he held out his hand and impulsively she took it.

"We will love music all our lives," she whispered, "all our lives—together."

Suddenly then his glowing look vanished and over his features there passed an expression of inquiry, fear and doubt. Gently he sought to withdraw his hand, but she held it tightly, pressing it with silent declaration of love and esteem and letting him know by the soft engagement and relaxation of her grasp that when it came to music she, too, was there with a fond and true regard for the most beautiful of all the arts and the interpretation of great souls long dead; and that when it came to rhapsodies she could rhapsodize, and when it came to passages of sadness she could weep, but that taking one thing with another it was, it was the twiddly bits, the twiddly bits, the twiddly bits; oh, yes, it was the twiddly bits that stole her heart away.

"Yes, yes," she whispered, "all our lives—together!"

He looked at her then with the mien of entreaty, preserving the attitude of formality, edging away from her so that their clasped and extended hands grew taut and tight, resembling the characteristics of his smile, and as for her she beamed upon him sweetly, holding his hand as though it were a treasure and she the treasure.

She gazed at him with a sentiment profound, and she looked at him merrily, and arching her brows at him well in his innermost soul he mattered.

There was about to draw yards of silk and brocade and other fabrics of the same; stores of food and provision;

will tolerate? It was not written in the book of fate that he should complain, and worry, and sulk, and suffer. My aim is to direct a man's attention to himself as a whole, considered as a machine, complex and capable of quite extraordinary efficiency for traveling through this world smoothly, in any desired manner, with satisfaction not only to himself but to the people he meets en route and the people who are overtaking him and whom he is overtaking. My aim is to show that only an inappreciable fraction of our ordered and sustained efforts is given to the business of actual living as distinguished from the preliminaries to living.

SENSATIONAL EDUCATORS CONDEMNED.

By Andrew S. Draper.

Sensationalism has no rights of any kind in a university. Yet we must have learned that it is not to be kept out by the saying. Novelty of theme or of statement, suited to exploitation and personal notoriety, is an abomination to the traditions, the philosophic basis, the moral sense, and the freedom of a university as illiteracy is a menace to government in a democratic state, or as greed is repugnant to fellowship in a philanthropic guild. One cannot be allowed to propagate his vagaries upon the time and in the name of a university that would like to be thought prudent and rational. If one wants to be a professor of myths and ghosts, he ought to go out in the woods and sit on a log and pursue his inquiries on his own time and in the most appropriate place.

I have no valid objection to a professor being a free trader. I cannot object to his telling students the reason why. But I have abundant reason for objecting to his hiding from the students the arguments which support the policy of protection, and to his enforcing his partisan view against mere youth with the ponderous solemnity of a military execution.

FAULTS IN TECHNICAL EDUCATION.

By President Henry Smith Pritchett.

We Americans have had some illustrations of late that our firm American belief that we have a fine system of college efficiency and modesty may not be infallible. Our critics are declaring that our educational systems are not training men properly, and point to Germany, France and England as doing better, as having something better. They say our bankers are not bankers, but promoters. They attack our technical institutions.

This much is true, at least, that in the last two decades we have not been good borrowers—not nearly so good as Germany and Japan. It is a truism that the next best thing to being able to do a thing well yourself is to become a good borrower of a better method than your own. There are, we must admit, some foreign methods that are better than our own—methods of technical training broader than our own, and which open paths to the industries and arts which perhaps we do not offer.

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THE SPIRIT OF 1809.



How to Flowers and the Earth.



Down in the garden beside the wall,
A whisper ran through the blossoms all
(It began with the brown bee's hum-
ming):

"We must wake to-morrow, be dressed
and gay,"

For blithe and merry and bold, this way,
With music and marching and mirth, they
say,

The Fourth of July is coming."

The Trumpet-Vine, in the early morn,
Blew a jubilant blast on her shining horn.

The Bluebells soft were ringing,
And pop! pop! pop! the path beside,

Went a hundred buds, as they opened
wide,

Their sweets to the breezes flinging.

The Milkweed's silvery bombshells burst,
And the Thistle her featherly fireworks
first.

Sent out to the sunshine dancing.

The gay little Snap-Dragon snapped
away,

And the Flags by the brookside waved all
day.

Where the Swordgrass bright was
glimming.

The Scarlet Geranium burned red fire;

The Salvia flamed in a splendid spire

At eve in the dusk uprising:

The Sunflower shot out his golden rays,

And the crimson Hollyhocks stood ablaze.

And the Bluebells loud were ringing.

The Fireflies, fitting the leaves among;

The crystal dewa were beaming;

And the tall white Lilies held a row

Their shining candles where below.

The Mystic stars were gleaming;

Margaret Johnson, in Farm and Home.

The First Moving Pictures.

Moving pictures originated in an ex-

periment to show both sides of a shill-

ing at once. In 1820, according to the

Chicago Tribune, Sir John Herschel

said his friend, Charles Babbage, how

he would show both sides of a shill-

ing at once. Babbage replied by taking a

shilling from his pocket and holding it

before a mirror.

This did not satisfy Sir John, who

set the shilling spinning on a large

table, at the same time pointing out

that if the eye is placed on a level with

a rotating coin, both sides can be seen

at once.

Babbage was so struck by the ex-

periment that the next day he de-

scribed it to a friend, Doctor Fliton,

who immediately made a working

model.

On one side of a disk was drawn a

bird, on the other side an empty bird

cage. When the card was revolved on

a silk thread the bird appeared to be

in the cage. This model showed the

persistence of vision upon which all

moving pictures depend for their ef-

fect.

The eye retains the image of the ob-

ject seen for a fraction of a second

after the object has been removed.

This model was called the thaumatrope.

Next came the zoetrope, or "wheel of life."

A cylinder was perforated with a series of slots and within the cylinder was placed a band of drawings of

dancing men. On the apparatus being

spun rapidly, the figures seen through

the slots appeared to be in motion.

The first systematic photographs of

men and animals taken at regular in-

tervals were made by Edward May-

bridge in 1877.

Wanted to Know.

Mother (to her daughter)—Don't

hold your dress up so high, Eliza;

it doesn't look nice.

Eliza—Well, why did you buy me such

pretty stockings, mother?—Meggedon

for Blaetter.

Nationwide News.

F. H. Harriman is to build a \$5,000

manse in New York. It is under-

stood that in architectural appear-

ance it will resemble a roundhouse.—Mil-

waukee Sentinel.

The only thing in the world that

collects no sentiment is a dollar,

and it collects interest, which seems people

think is better.

THE SPIRIT OF 1809.

THE WEEKLY HISTORIAN

1215—Magde Charte signed by King John.

1600—Champlain left Quebec to explore the lake which bears his name.

1610—Champlain defeated the Iroquois near the mouth of the Richelieu river.

1700—Madrid entered by the English and Portuguese.

1741—Alliance between George II. of England and Maria Theresa of Austria.

1747—Louisburg, N. S., taken by the British from the French.

1776—British evacuated Philadelphia.

1793—City of Archangel, in northern Russia, nearly destroyed by fire.

1803—Union College founded at Schenectady, N. Y.

1812—United States Congress declared war against Great Britain.

1815—Battle of Waterloo.

1816—The Savannah, first steamer to cross the Atlantic, arrived at Liverpool... The State of Maine separated from Massachusetts.

1820—The Earl of Dalh

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For Vice President—JAMES S. SHERMAN of New York.

Home Circle Department

A column dedicated to Tired Mothers as they join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

Crude thoughts as they fall from the Editorial Pen—Pleasant Evening Reveries.

Tomorrow's Sorrow.

There is very little trouble
That happens us today;
It's the sorrows of tomorrow
That drive our joys away.

We sometimes sit and wonder
And stew and fume and fret
For fear something may happen,
But it hasn't happened yet.

There was once a lonely woman
Who cried down by the sea;

"What if my pretty children
All should perish'd be!"

Now this particular woman,
Who thus did cry and fret,
Is still a maiden lady,
So it hasn't happened yet.

How to Tell Her Age.

Girls of a marriageable age do not like to tell how old they are, but you can find out by following the subjoined instructions, the young lady doing the figuring: Tell her to put down the number of the month in which she was born, then to multiply it by 2, then to add 5, then to multiply it by 50, then to add her age, then to subtract 365, then to add 115, then tell her to tell you the amount she has left. The two figures to the right will tell you her age and the remainder the month of her birth. For example, if the amount is 82, she is twenty-two years old and was born in the eighth month (August). Try it.

The need of some place to drop down for a moment and forget things is a crying one in most homes. There ought to be enough sofas around to accommodate all the family. Five minutes rest will prevent many a family row, and how can you get rest if you have to pull shams off the bed and roll up the overlid? A shabby old lounge where you can get at it is worth its weight in gold; and you won't want to die half so many times if you make use of it. The loosening of the tension for ever so few minutes may save your reason some day. Don't go out and try to walk off your worries; don't tell them to your friend, either. Just throw yourself down on the sofa for a little while; shut your eyes and pretend you have no care. The worries will be lighter before you realize it, your brain will be clearer and your heart stronger to meet those that press closest.

If brothers or sisters err, the world says "shun them; thus you will show that you disapprove of the fact, making an example of them." Alas! how many examples we have of this mode of teaching, crowding the haunts of infamy today. Once, bright young lives, over whose pure lips and innocent brows mothers watched in all tenderness; but the trembling feet took one false step, and so we thrust them out of our hearts, out of our churches, and would even thrust them out of heaven. Is it right, is it just, is it Christ-like?

Advice to An Engaged Man.

If you think that a woman is any weaker minded than a man, stop where you are.

If you intend to treat yourself any better than your wife, don't take one. If you suppose that running the house consists in paying the bills, don't undertake it.

If you have an idea that you are too good for a picked up dinner, remain a bachelor.

If you have found it a hard task to be happy yourself, don't try to make any one else happy.

If you have chosen a pretty woman without regard to her other qualities, halt; you are on the wrong road.

If you think a house should have only one head, and that be yours, postpone your wedding indefinitely.

If you are of the opinion that marriage makes the man and wife one, and that you are that one, send us your regrets at once.

If you are one of the men who think that ten per cent of their income belongs to the tap-room, let marriage alone.

The Evil In Fretting.

There is one sin which seems to us to be every where and by everybody unestimated and quite too much overlooked in valuation of character. It is the sin of fretting, so common that it stands above its usual measure and we do not observe it. Watch any-

ordinary coming together of people and see how many minutes it will be before somebody frets—that is, makes more or less complaining statement of something or other, which most probably every one in the room, or in the car, or on the street corner. It may be, know before, and which probably no one can help. Why say anything about it? It is cold, it is hot, it is wet, it is dry; somebody has broken an appointment; ill cooked a meal; stupidly or bad faith somewhere has resulted in discomfort.

There are plenty of things to fret about. It is simply astonishing how much annoyance may be found in the course of every day's living, even at the simplest, if one only keeps a sharp eye out on that side of things. Even holy writ says we are prone to trouble as sparks to fly upward. But even to the sparks flying upward in the blackest of smoke there is a blue sky above, and the less time they waste on the road the sooner they will reach it. Fretting is all time wasted on the road.

A girl that is not neatly dressed is called a sloven, and no one likes to look at her. Her face may be pretty, and her eyes bright, but if there is a spot of dirt on her cheek, and her fingers' ends are black with ink, and her shoes are not laced or buttoned up, and her apron is dirty, and her collar not buttoned, and her skirt is torn, she cannot be liked. Learn to be neat and when you have learned it, it will almost take care of itself.

It is only too true that to refrain from showing affection makes the wife miserable. She does not care for presents or lavish attention; she wants those little tokens such as may be given even in a look, which will prove her husband's love. We wish some of the good things that some men are saving up to say concerning their wives after they are dead could be said now. A man will spend \$25 to buy cut flowers for his dead wife's coffin, when if he had spent 25 cents for a bunch of flowers for her when she was alive she would have fainted. Wait until she is dead and then get some preacher to tell how good she was.

Most men would prefer domestic happiness to great riches.

The Remedy That Does.

"Dr. Klug's New Discovery is the remedy that does the healing others promise but fail to perform," says Mrs. E. R. Pierson, of Auburn Centre, Pa. "It is curing me of throat and lung trouble of long standing, that other treatments relieved only temporarily. New Discovery is doing me so much good that I feel confident its continued use for a reasonable length of time will restore me to perfect health." This renowned cough and cold remedy and throat and lung healer is sold at A. M. Lewis & Co. drug store, 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

What Alfalfa is and Does.

It was once grown on the plains of Babylon, and is more widely cultivated than any other plant. Its height is from two and one-half to three feet. Sometimes stories are told that alfalfa roots will go down fifty or sixty feet in search of water. That cannot be confirmed. The roots in light, dry soil do go down as deep as fifteen or even twenty feet.

In our middle western black loam and clay soils the roots penetrate three or four feet, seldom more, but spread out in search of plant food.

Alfalfa will maintain a good stand for twenty years, or even longer, in the dry, light soils of the far west.

On the hilly soils of the east it will die out in from five to ten years.

When the stem is cut off it dies down to the core of the root, and the more frequently it is cut the more stems it will send up.

From two to four crops per annum are cut in the country east of the Missouri river. In the pacific states from four to six crops are cut.

There are several varieties of alfalfa much better than others, while some varieties will stand more cold than others.

It attains its highest state of food value on irrigated farm lands of the west, because the dry climate allows it to be perfectly cured and harvested.

East of the Missouri river it grows best on high lands.

It requires a good soil—not too heavy—with a porous subsoil, as it will not grow well if its roots are in water.

It grows well in Louisiana, fairly well in North Dakota, luxuriantly in Kansas and Nebraska, and is grown to some extent in the southern and eastern states. But its best growth is on the arid or semi-arid lands of the west.

It must have a soil free from acid. It does not grow well on gravelly upland where the subsoil is not underlaid with water unless the rainfall is normal.

The proper bacteria must be in the soil before alfalfa will grow well. Soil that does not contain bacteria must be inoculated with soil on which alfalfa has been grown, or with bacteria made by the government formula.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I wish to announce to the public that I have opened a shop in the Kraus building on main street, where I am prepared to do all kinds of sanitary plumbing, steam and hot water heating, bath room work, a specialty. I also keep on hand all kinds of plumbing goods, fittings for iron pipes, lead pipes, rubber hose, hose couplings and menders and all goods that are necessary to make up a first-class shop. All work guaranteed. Give me a call, F. R. DECKROW.

MONEY IN PINE STUMPS.

Prospective Factory in Bay City Will Distill Product in Branch Plants to the North.

The Turpentine & Pine Product Co., having headquarters in Toledo, Ohio, and operating a turpentine plant on what is known as the Terney branch, 15 miles east of Roscommon, desires to remove its business to Bay City and erect a large turpentine refinery there, offering to do so provided citizens of Bay City will invest in stock of the company to the extent of \$31,250.

The fact that turpentine of superior quality can be produced from pine and norway pine stumps and trees was demonstrated some time ago, Coon & Thomas are now operating a plant at Nolan, Roscommon county, another small plant is said to be in operation near Petoskey, and a company has been formed with a capitalization of \$200,000 to erect a plant near Cadillac, aside from the Roscommon plant.

The company, should it locate in Bay City, will interest itself in erecting raw turpentine or "destructive distillation" plants in the country north, where the stumps and trees are available, distill the turpentine from the wood and bring it to the refinery at Bay City in tank cars for refining.

The turpentine procured from Michigan norway is superior in quality to the product of the southern pine, being less rank.

In the refining of the turpentine there is also produced a superior quality of norway pine tar, pine tar oil, a disinfectant warranted to destroy bed bugs, carpet beetles and all insects that infest residences, a fine article of embalming fluid, and sheep dip for killing ticks and curing scab on sheep.—Gladwin Record.

Best the World Affords.

"It gives me unbounded pleasure to recommend Bucknell's Arnica Salve," says J. W. Jenkins, of Chapel Hill, N. C. "I am convinced it's the best salve the world affords. It cured a felon on my thumb, and it never failed to heal every sore, burn or wound to which it is applied. 25c. at A. M. Lewis & Co. drug store.

PROSPERITY SIGNS.

Predictions of bumper crops this year are now being made all over the United States. These predictions include all the main crops—wheat, corn, rice, oats, barley, hay, potatoes, fruit, vegetables, tobacco, cotton, etc. So far this year the season has been favorable as a whole, and unusually favorable in sections and excellent for some crops. The great railroad companies are already calculating and trying to provide against a probable shortage in cars which will be called for to move the expected big crops. The full return of prosperity seems to be already assured to the farmers this year. And big crops at good prices with prosperity for the farmers means a rapid return of prosperity to business of all sorts over the country. The reports of the fat crops are officially certified by the department of agriculture at Washington. The yield of winter wheat is now estimated at an increase of 61,000,000 bushels larger than the grand crop of last year, while the crop of spring wheat is estimated at 100,000,000 bushels over that of last year, with an increase in every state in the whole United States.

In connection with this the commercial agencies, the manufacturers, the bankers, the railroads, all are reporting fast improving business with bright prospects and a confident tone of feeling.—Cheboygan Tribune.

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Just Exactly Right.

"I have used Dr. King's New Life Pill for several years, and find them just exactly right," says Mr. A. A. Felton, of Harrisonville, N. Y. "New Life Pills relieve without the least discomfort. Best remedy for constipation, biliousness and malaria." 25c. at A. M. Lewis & Co. drug store.



EDISON PHONOGRAHPS

The Edison Phonograph is a case where there is company and not a crowd.

Two people and an Edison Phonograph can pass a very pleasant evening. This does not prevent it from being the best entertainer for any kind of a gathering, from an informal evening up to a large reception.

If you do not know the possibilities of the Edison Phonograph, come into our store and hear what it can do.

C. J. HATHAWAY, Watchmaker and Jeweler.

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Our soda fountain produces the coolest, most delightful and refreshing drinks in town these hot days. Our syrups are made from pure fruit flavors, cocoa and vanilla beans, and are always fresh and wholesome.

The next time you're near this store, drop in and let us mix you a soda, and note how magically that hot, tired feeling disappears.

A. M. LEWIS & CO., The Rexall Store

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Are willing to sacrifice themselves and their children to the prejudice of "what people say".

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By children with defective eyes often results in the greatest suffering—Sometimes permanent disability of one who might otherwise become a power in the world.

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GRAYLING, THURSDAY, JULY 2

Local and Neighborhood News.

Take Notice.

The date following your address on this paper shows to what time your subscriptions paid. Our terms are \$1.50 per year in ADVANCE. If your time is up, please renew promptly. A X following your name means we want our money.

All advertisements, communications, correspondence, etc., must reach us by Tuesday noon, and can not be considered later.

Fresh dairy butter at 2½¢ at the Bank Grocery.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Burt Mitchell June 24 a daughter.

Lost—A silver scarf pin. Finder please leave it at this office.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mason, June 10th., a 9 pound boy.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Garvin Purcell, a son Sunday June 28th.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Abbott, June 27, a son. All doing finely.

For first-class lunches at reasonable prices, go to Collier's Restaurant, Opposite S. H. Co's store.

Use Eureka Egg Preservative and save money. It is a sure thing. For sale at the Central Drug store.

Watch out for potato bugs. They are reported as unusually numerous and destructive in many localities.

My house and lots for sale. Price \$3000 cash if taken now. Address, Flora Mavrin, Pasco, Wash.

For Sale—A good horse, for driving or work, also a good new milch cow. Fred Hoestl, Sigabec, Mich.

Mr. Edward of Minneapolis, Minn., was visiting J. C. Mason and family a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard Head of South Branch started for a visit with old friends in New York yesterday.

The township board has appropriately built a house for the protection of tools, etc. on their lot east of town hall.

If you are thinking of a tubular well or wind mill, give us a call at the Kraus building on Main street.

F. R. DICKROW.

Miss Helen Johnson has begun a two year course in the State Normal School at Ypsilanti, and a course in the conservatory of music.

Theon Deckrow returned from the west part of the state, last Sunday morning, where he has been at work for the past year or more.

Hubbard Head and his son, Elmer, was in town Tuesday. Elmer has moved back from Kingston, and will work the old farm this year.

There will be a Picnic in Mortenson's grove, one half mile south east of Fallings' mill, on July 4th. Every thing will be done to assure a good time. All are invited.

The Ladies of the Catholic Church will serve Ice Cream and Cake on the lawn of Mrs. Geo. Langevin, Wednesday, June 8th, afternoon and evening. 10c pay the bill.

Sheriff Aundon and his wife were agreeably surprised last week by the unexpected arrival of his mother from Ossawa, and his aunt, Mrs. Reed from Grand Blanc.

Hundreds of our citizens watched the partial eclipse of the sun, Sunday forenoon. It was very complete so far as covered, and an object lesson to the young, easily explained.

Miss Elisabeth Salling came home Saturday, for the summer vacation from the Ferris school, glad for the rest at home, and for the society of her friends here.

The Ladies Union of the Presbyterian Church will meet with Mrs. A. McNevin, Friday, July 10th., instead of July 3rd.

MRS. R. W. BRINK, Sec.

Mr. Crane of South Branch and Henry Hartman Jr., were in town Tuesday feeling well over the crop prospects. They report Geo. Hartman steadily improving, which is good news to his friends here.

A Fourth of July Celebration will be held at Stephan's farm, near Stephan's east of town. Everybody cordially invited to come and have a good time. Bring your lunch with you.

Mr. H. S. Murray of Marshal, Mich., who has been the guest of F. Freedland for the past week, departed Monday afternoon for the U. P. to make a trip through the Lake Superior district.

F. R. Deckrow has put in a stock of plumbing goods in Kraus' old store, which will be a great convenience in the city as it will save time and expense in repairs as well as in new work.

Married—At Saginaw, June 18th., Miss Ida K. Hammond and Peter J. Peterman, both of Grayling. Rev. A. B. Leonard officiating. The happy pair are receiving the congratulations of their friends here, and best wishes.

The N. Michelson Lumber Co., incorporated, whose mills will be situated just over the line in Roscommon County, with offices in Grayling, will be one of the strongest concerns in this part of the state. A mammoth shingle mill is ready for operation, and the contract for the saw mill will be let this week, at a meeting of the stockholders, at which time officers will be elected.

Mrs. Louisa B. Niles and Master Arthur started for Ann Arbor Tuesday morning, where they will make their home. Miss Freida Niles, who graduated from the Photographic Institute in Birmingham, Ill., last week, met them in the new home. They have many friends here who will greet their going.

DID YOU KNOW?—That both Taft and Bryan have placed their orders in Grayling for Eureka Egg Preservative for use in the White House, for the next four years? They both believe in American eggs in preference to those of foreign manufacture. No duty, see? All such things help to make Grayling famous.

Miss Belli Mark closed a very successful term at Lone Pine school, near Judges. She presented her scholars with souvenir photos as a memento of the days spent among them. Miss Mark says in speaking of her school: "I would not ask for kinder and more ambitious scholars than these. They were ever ready to do their duty, and never left a lesson half learned."—Miss Clara Kellogg was the only scholar who was in attendance every day. Miss Mark returned to her home in Cass City, last week.

Our local was entirely off last week concerning the accident to John Treft, he having both feet cut off on the M. C. R. R. track. The patient was taken to Dr. Inley's office, he being the R. R. surgeon at this place. The Dr. had gone to the Medical Association at Manistee and Mrs. Inley responded to the telephone call at the office, and at once sent for Dr. Tomlinson, who kindly took charge of the case at her request, and accompanied the young man to Bay City where the amputation was performed.

We had thought that arrangement was made for a full report of the school exercises of the eighth grade, and of the usual commencement exercises last week at the Opera House would be furnished for publication in this issue, but on our return from the Lake Superior trip with the Michigan Press Association we met with disappointment, and was too late to obtain the needed information. We can only say today that the house was crowded on both occasions by a delighted audience, and the address of Prof. W. D. Henderson, of Ann Arbor pronounced one of the best ever delivered in this village. We expect a detailed write-up for next week, which we know will be appreciated by our citizens, who are interested in the success of the school.

Mr. Burton Aschenfelter and Miss Angie Lece were united in marriage Wednesday evening, June 24th., at 8 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lece. Only a few of the immediate friends were present. The ceremony was performed by Rev. E. W. Frazer, of Gaylord, formerly pastor of the M. E. Church of this city. Mrs. Frazer was the only guest from out of town. The bride was attired in white faille. Miss Hadley acted as bridesmaid, and Mr. Harry Lece as best man. Miss Winifred Baker played the wedding march. The house was prettily decorated with pansies, daisies and ferns. Following the ceremony, a two-course wedding supper was served. The young couple left on the morning train for the Soo, where they spend a week or two, and on their return will be at home to their friends at their residence on East Penninsular Ave. Both of the contracting parties are among the best known and highly esteemed young people in Grayling and their many friends extend congratulations.

The Michigan Press Association started on the 19th, inst., for their annual outing, on the Canadian Steamer Huronia, the finest steamer of the Northern Navigation Co., from Sarnia, Ontario. Nearly a hundred members reported and the happier, jollier crowd could hardly be mustered in the state. The first run to Sault Ste. Marie, along the beautiful islands of St. Mary's River, and the Georgian Bay could hardly be surpassed for its scenic beauty, and the wonderful locks at both the American and Canadian Soo, and all were fully enjoyed. Then came the long run northwesterly across Lake Superior to Port Arthur. The rock bound islands and rocky bluffs and distant mountains, giving views which keep the beholders spellbound. Port Arthur and Fort Williams are the twin Canadian cities and lake ports of the northwest, and the points at which the great grain crops of Manitoba are transferred for water carriage to the east. The largest grain elevator of the world is at Port Arthur. The cities are becoming modern and beautiful in all their appointments and the pride of all that section of the world. We left Port Arthur Sunday evening and arrived at Duluth, Monday morning in a drizzling rain, but as we had the one day to remain, we braved the elements, and all unite in saying that "Bluff City" is one of the world's wonders, the highest street being over 1000 feet higher than the streets along the harbor front, being reached by an inclined railway, to each terrace which has been blasted from the rock, at an expense of millions. Duluth is to the United States, as a lake port, what Port Arthur is to Canada, the grain gateway to the sea. The return trip was all that could be desired, except that while Michigan wasizzling with heat, we needed overcoats and steam heat, and was restricted in the view by a dense fog. Time does not allow us now, to give any account of the social pleasure, and it must suffice at present if we say that we believe more real enjoyment could not well

be crowded into the same time. Every attention possible was given by the officers of the boat to whom was tendered a vote of thanks before we disembarked at Sarnia, and took our separate ways to our respective homes where we arrived Thursday p.m. tired and happy after delightful days with our friends and about 1,500 miles of travel.

Grand Band Concert.

If the weather permits The Citizens Band will play the following program in the Court House Park Friday evening July 3d, at 7:30.

March "Square Deal."

Waltz "Under the Rose."

Overture "Military Festival."

The crescent Waltz.

Overture "Hesperia."

March "Illinoian Inaugural."

ED. G. CLARK, Band Master.

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Presbyterian Church

Sabbath July 5, 1908.
Morning service 10:30 a. m.
Sunday School 11:45 a. m.

Y. P. C. E. 6:30 p. m.

Evening service 7:30 p. m.

Prayer meeting Thursday evening July 9th, at 7:30 p. m.

Members and adherents are requested to be present.

All are cordially invited to attend these services.

WM. B. MACGREGOR,

Pastor.

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Hardgrove Happenings

Mr. Date Forbs and son, Dean have returned home from Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. H. S. Buck is very poorly now. Clarence Halley had his foot smashed by a log.

Mr. and Mrs. Boddy, and daughter, Ethel took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Buck, Sunday.

The little shower we had Sunday evening subdued the forest fires.

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Wellington Warbles.

Miss Mable McCutcheon of Big Rapids has just closed a very successful year of school in the Benedict School District. The school board were so well pleased with her work they have engaged her for another year.

The teacher, pupils and parents held a school picnic Thursday, June 25, on the shores of the beautiful Higgins Lake. There were forty-eight present, boating and bathing formed the chief attractions, excepting, of course the dinner. All report a very enjoyable time.

Crops are looking finely since the rain.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Hannan and son of Traverse City, are visiting at the home of her father, Henry Moon.

A very enjoyable dance was held June 27, at the home of William Hatch. Miss Mable McCutcheon has returned to her home at Big Rapids for her vacation.

Mr. J. C. Failing is visiting his old home at Tekonsha.

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Lovells Locals.

Geo. F. Owen is building a house in our town. The frame is up and enclosed.

We hear the hum of the mower, which reminds us haying time has come again.

C. V. Ferson was doing business at the county seat Thursday.

Dr. Underhill has commenced pulling stumps on his farm. He will clear twenty acres, and summer follow it, then seed to clover. That's business.

Jacob Truxal shipped in a carload of fine sheep a few days ago. Mr. Truxal made good money on sheep last year.

T. E. Douglas is clearing another tract of land north of the railroad. Ed. is getting interested in clover seed, and there is money in it up here.

Mr. Lyon, of Fostoria, Ohio, bought 60 acres of land on Sec. 27. He is well pleased with the country, and we would not be surprised, if he was back here soon for more land.

C. F. Dickinson is owner of some land on Big Creek, and there is trout in the creek and you can catch them with bait. Charley is not a hog. He won't compel you to use the Class Legislation Fly.

Dr. Underhill and family drove to Grayling Friday.

Margarette Craddock, spent Friday with Mrs. Kraus and family, and attended the graduation exercises, and dance.

Dr. Underhill is painting his house on Rain Side Drive.

We received a fine shower of rain Sunday evening.

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How to Keep Water Cold

"Having tried it, I recommend the following mode of keeping ice water for a long time in a common pitcher," says a writer in Woman's Home Companion for July, "Place between two sheets of thick brown paper a layer of cotton batting about half an inch in thickness; fasten the ends of the paper and the batting together, forming a circle, then sew or paste a crown over one end, making a box the shape of a stovepipe hat minus the rim. Place this cover over an ordinary pitcher filled with ice water, making it deep enough to rest on the table so as to exclude the air, and you will be astonished to see the length of time that the ice will keep and the water remain cold after all the ice has melted."

4th of JULY!

Exhibition Lawn Fireworks.

We have a fine line of Rockets, New Colored Roman Candles, Batteries, etc., etc.

Our New Ten Cent Firework Novelties, Unequal for Brilliance are specially adopted for private celebrations.

Call and make up an assortment to suit yourself.

Sorenson's Cigar Store.

Pay \$2.98 A Handsome
also buy Life size Portrait of Yourself
ten dollars and a \$5.00 Frame
worth of ALL COMPLETE.
Do not fail to ask for
TICKET.
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S. S. PHELPS, JR., Prop'r.

BUGS! BUGS!

Potatoes do not do well if the bugs are eating them. Get a Lightning Spray Pump and a package of Lucas Paris Green for them. We have both as well as all the best makes of cultivators and hoes to make a crop. We can sell you a fine bunch of hay in the field cheaper than to wait until you want it in the winter and pay large price then. See our line of Buggies, Wagons, Tools, Hardware and Farm supplies. Time to suit purchaser.

Call on Us, and get Used Right.

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Percheron Stallion "Viking"

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\$5.00—Single Leap.

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PUPILS' DEFECTS GIVEN.

Examination Shows that 64 Per Cent Have Physical Ailments.

Examination of 3,763 children in the public schools of Chicago by the city health department shows that 64 per cent are physically defective. A total of 2,389 of those examined are classified as defective and in need of treatment. Most of these have more than one weakness to keep them out of the physically satisfactory class, for the entire number of defects recorded by the city physicians was 4,464. Detailed figures on the investigation were given out by Dr. Horatio Spalding, chief medical inspector of the department, who had charge of the work. The number of separate defects found in the pupils needing treatment was as follows: Lack of nutrition, 145; lack of blood, 488; enlarged glands, 684; nervous troubles, 14; affection of heart, 46; lung diseases, 18; skin afflictions, 36; defects of sight, 26; faulty hearing, 762; trouble in nasal breathing, 135; defect in palate, 232; decaying teeth, 101; enlarged tonsils, 807; adenoids, 226; defective mentality, 75. "The net result of the examinations shows that the percentage of defective children in Chicago is practically the same as in New York," said Dr. Spalding. "Of course, these children which we classify as defective are in the vast majority of cases merely afflicted with some slight ailment which can be remedied by treatment. In no cases are they defective according to the strict scientific meaning of the term in not having sound minds."

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Progress of Pennant Race in Base Ball Leagues.

	W.	L.	W.	L.	
Chicago ...	37	21	Philadelphia ...	26	28
Pittsburg ...	40	24	Boston ...	27	36
New York ...	36	26	St. Louis ...	24	31
Cincinnati ...	32	30	Brooklyn ...	21	38

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

	W.	L.	W.	L.	
St. Louis ...	28	25	Philadelphia ...	29	31
Cleveland ...	30	26	New York ...	26	31
Chicago ...	35	28	Boston ...	27	32
Detroit ...	34	28			22

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

	W.	L.	W.	L.	
Indianapolis ...	17	27	Minneapolis ...	32	33
Louisville ...	42	27	Milwaukee ...	32	33
Toledo ...	42	28	Kansas City ...	29	30
Columbus ...	32	35	St. Paul ...	29	39

WESTERN LEAGUE.

	W.	L.	W.	L.	
Omaha ...	37	27	Denver ...	33	31
Saint Paul ...	35	28	Des Moines ...	26	29
Lincoln ...	35	29	Pueblo ...	25	30

TORNADO DESTROYS TOWN.

Pukwana, S. D., is Struck by Heavy Storm—No One is Injured.

Pukwana, in Brule County, South Dakota, was almost wiped out at 11 o'clock Saturday night by a tornado. No one was injured. Between twelve and fifteen stores and homes were totally destroyed and there was not a house in the town that was not damaged. Two large elevators were blown down across the rail road track, covering a freight car. The railway station was wrecked. On the ranch of Carpenter Sander, adjoining the town on the north, all buildings but two were destroyed, entailing a loss exceeding \$100,000. The tornado was accompanied by rain and hail, which covered a strip of country three miles wide. The entire farming country in the path of the storm was ruined. A coal car standing on the Milwaukee track was half filled with hailstones. A small tornado was reported ten miles east of Mitchell, but the damage was slight.

INTERURBAN HOLD-UP IS FOILED

Train Dispatcher Sees Robbers, Signals Motorman to Speed Up.

An attempt was made to hold up an express car of the Illinois Traction system, carrying \$48,000 in money and \$1,000 worth of jewelry, near Lynch station, Ill. C. E. Hartman, a Chicago and Alton train dispatcher, saw the would-be robbers creeping along in the grass near the station and signaled the motorman to put on full speed. As the car sped past the station the highwaymen opened fire, one of the bullets striking the car. Nobody was injured.

Japanese Escape Taxes.

Evidence has been obtained from official sources in Mukden of the existence of a system by which Japanese commerce in Manchuria has obtained exemption from the inland taxes. These concessions were obtained through intimidation and a show of force. China has concealed the situation for fear of losing the revenue she derived from merchandise in transit belonging to those nations which did not coerce her.

Four Die in Milwaukee.

A mother and three children dead; the father and a son terribly burned, is the record of a fire which destroyed the plant of the Winding & Gosselach Roofing Company in Milwaukee. The dead are Mrs. Minnie Krueger, 37 years old; Julia, Gilbert, Eleanor, 4, 2 and 1 respectively. The injured are Julius Kueger, 38 years old, and Edward Krueger, 8.

John Robinson, Showman, Ill.

John Robinson, the veteran circus man, is seriously ill with heart trouble in Columbus, Ind. He is confined to his private car and physicians are attending him.

He Was Grandfather at Thirty-One.

Married when 15, a father at 16, and a grandfather at 31, Isaac Lord and wife of Homestead, Wayne county, Pa., celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary Sunday. They are one of the youngest couples in the country who have ever done so.

Circus Clown Commits Suicide.

Charles Rench, 48 years old, a well-known circus clown, committed suicide in Columbus, Ohio. He had been ill in health. He piled papers on the floor of his room, applied a match and then lay on the flaming pyre. His body was burned to a crisp.

Jockey Elopes with Actress.

Fred Welsman of Chicago, a well-known steeplechase jockey, eloped at St. Louis with Marie Appelbe. Miss Appelbe, an unusually pretty girl, is an actress and formerly was understudy to Edith Falter, the dancer.

W. B. LEEDS IS DEAD.

FIRE FOLLOWS EXPLOSION.

Families Trapped in Floors Above Blazing Plant of Chemical Co.

Well Known Railroad Man and Capitalist Passes Away in Paris. W. B. Leeds died suddenly at the Ritz hotel in Paris Tuesday morning. Mr. Leeds was with him. He was a railroad man nearly all his life. When only 22 years of age he was employed as a helper with an engineering corps in the field for the Pennsylvania railroad and, although he was not especially fond of this branch of railroading, he realized that it was an important factor in the making of a railroad official. His work in the field led to higher and more responsible positions and in two years his efficiency and devotion to duty secured for him promotion to the post of assistant engineer on the Columbus division of the Pennsylvania system. A year later Mr. Leeds was placed in the construction department of the Cincinnati and Richmond road and a few years later was made engineer of maintenance of way of the Pennsylvania road and afterward a division superintendent. While serving as a division superintendent Mr. Leeds demonstrated his abilities as an organizer, which resulted in the forming of the American Tin Plate Company. The business of the tin plate company became so extensive that Mr. Leeds was obliged to resign from his railroad work and take charge of the concern. The American Tin Plate Company was later merged into a larger company and Mr. Leeds was chosen chairman of its board of directors and later the company was made a part of the United States Steel Corporation. Mr. Leeds and some of his associates formed other large steel companies which were also made a part of the steel combine. He invested heavily in the stock of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad, and upon his retirement of Mr. Purdy, a former president of the road, was chosen his successor, Dec. 12, 1901. In 1903 Mr. Leeds was succeeded as president by B. L. Winchell, who now holds the office.

MUST DIVIDE ALASKAN WEALTH

Court Forces Prospector to Share with Man Who Aided Him.

A lawsuit, which involved more than a million dollars in Alaskan property and which is unusually interesting on account of its grabstake feature, has just been decided on an appeal by the Supreme Court in Seattle, Wash. Capt. E. T. Barnette, banker and mining operator of Fairbanks, has been forced to make an accounting of all property and money which he has made while in the Tamana to James P. Causton, at present collector of customs in Porto Rico, the plaintiff in the case. In 1901 Barnette got into a difficulty when on his way to the head waters of the Tamana with a stock of goods. His steamer sprung a leak and Causton advanced \$6,000 to engage another boat with the agreement that he should have a third interest in whatever profit Barnette made. Barnette, through the fortunate development of the Tamana, became immensely wealthy, established a bank and at present has interests in many of the richest claims in the district. The agreement holds good, according to the decision of the Supreme Court, and a third of Barnette's possessions is awarded to Causton.

BIG SLASH IN WAGES.

Republic Steel Company Takes Action that May Close Mills.

The Republic Iron and Steel Company in Pittsburgh has served notice on its thousands of Amalgamated Association employees that unless they accept a cut of great proportions—said to be 33 1/3 per cent—the union will be thrown out of all the mills, beginning July 1. The workers who were ready to accept a cut of 20 per cent, have refused to agree to so large a cut, and the announcement is made that the mills will close June 30, the expiration of the scale year, and that when they reopen the owners will deal with the workers as individuals, and not as union men. Officers of the Amalgamated Association admit that efforts to arrange a schedule with the Republic interests for the ensuing year have failed, and that they can not accept the great cut in wages demanded. It is declared by the workers that the Republic sought only to drive organized labor from the mills entirely when the cut was proposed.

IMMIGRANTS TO BE TRACED.

Government Will Find Out What Becomes of Horde of Aliens.

The national immigration commission is taking steps to obtain an elaborate compilation of statistics which will show the kind of citizens this country is getting each year by adoption. It is proposed to follow the careers of immigrants from the time they step ashore at Ellis Island until they are assimilated into the great mass of American citizenship, and to ascertain also what becomes of the children they bring with them and those born here. To end school teachers and hospital physicians in New York and other points where immigrants land and associated charity officials elsewhere will be asked in a short time to furnish such data as comes in their power to produce.

TWO ATTACKED BY RATS.

Woman Beats Animals with Broom—Buddy Bitten White Asleep.

Because the labor unions will not let a skilled workman teach his trade in his own home, is the reason the United States lost the \$70,000,000 contract for ships for the Brazilian navy," said Rear Admiral George W. Melville in Philadelphia. "He continued: "We have the best steel and iron in the world right here. We have the timber which England must import, but because the labor unions have put their restriction on the number of apprentices their skilled labor has become scarce in the United States that it costs 40 per cent more to build a ship in America than it does in Great Britain or Germany."

End of Grand Opera Predicted.

Miss Oscar Hatch Hawley of Marion, Mo., president of the Missouri State Music Teachers' Association, read a paper before that body in which he predicted the disappearance of grand opera within the next decade, calling it "purely artificial, with no basis in real life and tending to a lowering of the moral standards."

Wrecked Off Coruña.

The steamer Larache, belonging to the Trans-Atlantic Company, struck a rock off Coruña, Spain, and was wrecked. Sixty passengers were drowned. The Larache with a crew numbering fifty-three had 144 passengers belonging to the humbler classes, was returning from Argentina.

Paper Trust Men Fired.

Twenty-four companies manufacturing manila wrapping paper were fined \$1,000 each by Judge Hough in the United States Circuit Court in New York. They pleaded guilty to maintaining an illegal combination in restraint of trade. They were members of the Manila and Fiber Association.

Act to Avert Hydrophobia.

Thirty towns of New York State are under quarantine for rabies, or hydrophobia, according to Raymond A. Pearson, State commissioner of agriculture. "Officials of the department," Mr. Pearson said, "have never known of such a serious outbreak of rabies as at present. Similar conditions exist in other parts of the country."

Engine Blown to Pieces.

Engineer Thomas Pilis was killed and Fireman William Brown and Brakeman Smith were probably fatally scalded when the boiler of a Grand Trunk freight engine exploded two miles west of Imlay City, Mich. The engine above the trucks was blown to fragments, and the first three cars of the train were wrecked.

Lightning Strikes Oil Tanks.

During an electrical storm three large tanks of the West Penn Oil Company at Meadowland, near Washington, filled with oil, were struck by lightning, throwing the burning oil high into the air and causing a torrent of fire to spread over the surrounding territory. The oil destroyed was valued at \$100,000.

McKinley Home to Be Hospital.

It has been definitely decided that the former McKinley home in Canton, Ohio, shall be Roman Catholic hospital. Official statement has been made that Felix M. Bopp, administrator of the Cleveland diocese, has ordered the remodeling of the building.

Hansbrugh Is Turned Down.

Received from North Dakota indicate that United States Senator Hansbrugh has been defeated at the Republican primaries and that C. B. Little, stalwart, and T. F. Marshall, insurgent, will be the new high men in the race.

Teddy, Jr., Gets Degree.

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., son of the President, was given his bachelor's degree at Harvard university the other day after three years of study.

GROVER CLEVELAND IS CALLED BY DEATH

Only Surviving Ex-President of the United States Succumbs to Long Illness.

END COMES UNEXPECTEDLY.

Country Shocked by News of Demise of Democratic Leader Twice Elected President.

Grover Cleveland, the only surviving ex-President of the United States, died suddenly Wednesday morning at his home in Princeton, N. J. While it was known that Mr. Cleveland had for the past three months been suffering from a severe attack of rheumatic gout and acute indigestion, his death came as a complete surprise to the country.

He had been a sufferer from gout and diabetes for more than two years. Early in 1908 he was stricken with an attack of indigestion, the result of diabetes, and for weeks was unable to partake of any except liquid nourishment.

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